GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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AYURVEDIC DOCTORS IN FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose inclusion of services of Ayurvedic Doctors in National Family Planning Programme; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Efforts were made requesting seven States (Haryana, H.P., U.P., Orissa, Bihar, Jharkhand and Rajasthan) having Ayurvedic infrastructure for posting of ISM Medical Officers after proper training, in remote PHCs, which remain unfilled by allopathic medical officers to provide RCH/FW services along with regular health services.

Of the seven States, Himachal Pradesh, has favorably responded to the proposal.The State has integrated ISM from District to PHC level and has identified 661 Ayurvedic health centres to provide various health programmes including RCH/FW and have posted 80 ayurvedic doctors against vacant posts of allopathic medical officers in various PHCs of the State on a permanent basis.